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In view of the submitted facts as supported by exhibits A and B, it is respectfully requested that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn and that the examination of the application be allowed to proceed.

It is the understanding of Applicant that no fees will be charged for this petition.

Respectfully submitted,



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